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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/69/963)*]

69/308. Support account for peacekeeping operations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 45/258 of 3 May 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 48/226 A of 23 December 1993, 50/221 B of 7 June 1996, section I of its resolution 55/238 of 23 December 2000, its resolutions 55/271 of 14 June 2001, 56/241 of 24 December 2001, 56/293 of 27 June 2002, 57/318 of 18 June 2003, 58/298 of 18 June 2004, 59/301 of 22 June 2005, 60/268 of 30 June 2006, 61/279 of 29 June 2007, 62/250 of 20 June 2008, 63/287 of 30 June 2009, 64/271 of 24 June 2010, 65/290 of 30 June 2011, 66/265 of 21 June 2012, 67/287 of 28 June 2013 and 68/283 of 30 June 2014and its other relevant resolutions, as well as its decisions 49/469 of 23 December 1994 and 50/473 of 23 December 1995,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014[1] and on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016,[2] the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016[3] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4]

Recognizing the importance of the United Nations being able to respond and deploy rapidly to a peacekeeping operation upon the adoption of a relevant resolution of the Security Council, within 30 days for traditional peacekeeping operations and 90 days for complex peacekeeping operations,

Recognizing also the need for adequate support during all phases of peacekeeping operations, including the liquidation and termination phases,

Mindful that the level of the support account should broadly correspond to the mandate, number, size and complexity of peacekeeping missions,

[1] A/69/653 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

[2] A/69/750 and Corr.1.

[3] A/69/791.

[4] A/69/860.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016[2] and the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget for the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016;[3]

2. *Reaffirms* its role in carrying out a thorough analysis and approval of human and financial resources and policies with a view to ensuring the full, effective and efficient implementation of all mandated programmes and activities and the implementation of policies in this regard;

3. *Also reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibility for administrative and budgetary matters;

4. *Further reaffirms* rule 153 of its rules of procedure;

5. *Reaffirms* that the support account funds shall be used for the sole purpose of financing human resources and non-human resource requirements for backstopping and supporting peacekeeping operations at Headquarters, and that any changes in this limitation require the prior approval of the General Assembly;

6. *Also reaffirms* the need for adequate funding for the backstopping of peacekeeping operations, as well as the need for full justification for that funding in support account budget submissions;

7. *Further reaffirms* the need for effective and efficient administration and financial management of peacekeeping operations, and urges the Secretary-General to continue to identify measures to increase the productivity and efficiency of the support account;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011, 66/264 of 21 June 2012 and 69/307 of 25 June 2015 and its other relevant resolutions;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Decides* to maintain, for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, the funding mechanism for the support account used in the current period, from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015, as approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution 50/221 B;

11. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to review the level of the support account on a regular basis, taking into consideration the number, size and complexity of peacekeeping operations;

12. *Emphasizes* that support functions should be scalable to the size and scope of peacekeeping operations;

13. *Recalls* paragraphs 32 to 35 of the report of the Advisory Committee, approves resources in the amount of 1,600,000 United States dollars for the supply chain management initiative, and in this regard reaffirms the existing guidelines on

the use of consultants and calls upon the Secretary-General to maximize the use of United Nations in-house expertise on supply chain management;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

14. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;[1]

Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

15. *Approves* the support account requirements in the amount of 336,495,800 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, inclusive of the amount of 31,306,700 dollars for the enterprise resource planning project and 821,500 dollars for information and systems security, including 1,322 continuing posts and 25 new temporary posts, as well as the abolishment, redeployment, reassignment and reclassification of posts, as set out in annex I to the present resolution, 109 continuing and 5 new general temporary assistance positions and 52 person-months, as set out in annex II, as well as related post and non-post requirements;

Financing of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial periods from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

16. *Decides* that the requirements for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 shall be financed as follows:

(*a*) The unencumbered balance in the total amount of 10,143,700 dollars, in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016;

(*b*) The total amount of 1,455,700 dollars, comprising interest income of 359,900 dollars, other miscellaneous income of 223,500 dollars and cancellation of prior-period obligations of 872,300 dollars, in respect of the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016;

(*c*) The amount of 730,600 dollars, representing the excess of the authorized level of the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2014, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016;

(*d*) The balance of 324,165,800 dollars to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016;

(*e*) The net estimated staff assessment income of 25,322,500 dollars, comprising the amount of 25,868,400 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 and the decrease of 545,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2014, to be offset against the balance referred to in subparagraph (*d*) above, to be prorated among the budgets of the individual active peacekeeping operations.

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Annex I

A. Posts to be established under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

Organizational unit		*Posts* Number	Level	*Function*	*Status*
Department of Peacekeeping Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front office	1	P-4	Political Affairs Officer	New
Office of Operations	Africa I Division	1	P-5	Senior Political Affairs Officer	New
	Africa II Division	1	P-5	Senior Political Affairs Officer (MINUSCA)	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Political Affairs Officer (MINUSCA)	GTA conversion
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Office of the Assistant Secretary-General	1	D-1	Principal Security Sector Reform Officer	New
Policy, Evaluation and Training Division	Policy and Best Practices Service	1	P-4	Coordination Officer	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**6**			
Department of Field Support					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	United Nations Support Office for AMISOM	1	P-5	Senior Support Officer	GTA conversion
	Headquarters Support Team	1	P-4	Support Officer	
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	GTA conversion
Field Budget and Finance Division	Reimbursement Policy and Liaison Section	1	P-5	Senior Programme Officer	GTA conversion
Field Personnel Division	Quality Assurance and Information Management Section	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (administration of justice)	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**5**			
Department of Management					
Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	Treasury	1	P-2	Associate Finance Officer	GTA conversion
	Peacekeeping Financing Division	1	P-4	Finance and Budget Officer (MINUSMA)	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Finance and Budget Officer (MINUSCA)	GTA conversion
Office of Central Support Services	Procurement Division	1	P-3	Procurement Officer (vendor registration)	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**4**			
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Internal Audit Division	MINUSMA	1	P-5	Chief Resident Auditor (MINUSMA)	GTA conversion
	MINUSCA	1	P-5	Chief Resident Auditor (MINUSCA)	GTA conversion
Investigations Division	Vienna	1	GS (PL)	Senior Information Technology Assistant	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**3**			

Organizational unit		Posts: Number	Level	Function	Status
Office of Legal Affairs					
General Legal Division	Administration of Justice Cluster	1	P-4	Legal Officer (administration of justice)	GTA conversion
		1	P-3	Legal Officer (administration of justice)	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**2**			
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights					
Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division	Peace Mission Support Unit (Headquarters)	1	P-4	Human Rights Officer	New
		1	P-3	Human Rights Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Programme Assistant	New
	Africa Branch (Geneva)	1	P-4	Human Rights Officer (Central African Region)	New
		1	P-4	Human Rights Officer (MINUSMA)	GTA conversion
	Subtotal	**5**			
	Total	**25**			

Note: The specific assignment and location of each of the new posts is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/69/750 and Corr.1) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/69/860).

Abbreviations: AMISOM, African Union Mission in Somalia; GS (OL), General Service (Other level); GS (PL), General Service (Principal level); GTA, general temporary assistance; MINUSCA, United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic; MINUSMA, United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali.

B. Restructuring, redeployment, reassignment, reclassification and abolishment of posts under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

Restructuring

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations

Establishment of the Asia, Middle East, Europe and Latin America Division by merging the Asia and Middle East Division with the Europe and Latin America Division

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Asia, Middle East, Europe and Latin America Division

Establishment of the Europe, Latin America and Asia Integrated Operational Team by merging Asia, Europe and Haiti Integrated Operational Teams

Department of Field Support/Field Budget and Finance Division

Establishment of the Reimbursement Policy and Liaison Section

Department of Field Support/Field Personnel Division

Realignment of the Field Personnel Division

Department of Field Support/Information and Communications Technology Division

Renaming of the Cartographic Section to the Geospatial Information Section

Redeployment

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Asia and Middle East Division/Asia Integrated Operational Team

Redeployment of 2 posts (2 GS (OL) Team Assistants) to the Africa II Division

Redeployment of 1 post (P-3 Political Affairs Officer) to the proposed Middle East and North Africa Integrated Operational Team

Department of Field Support/Field Budget and Finance Division/Memorandum of Understanding and Claims Management Section

Redeployment of 5 posts (1 P-4 Finance Officer, 1 P-4 Programme Officer, 1 P-3 Finance Officer, 2 GS (OL) Administrative Assistants) to the proposed Reimbursement Policy and Liaison Section

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office in the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

Redeployment of 1 post (P-3 Resident Auditor) to the Resident Audit Office in Entebbe, Uganda

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office in the United Nations Mission in Liberia

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Resident Auditor) to the Resident Audit Office in Entebbe, Uganda

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office in the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Resident Auditor) to the Resident Audit Office in the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia

Reassignment

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigation Division/Resident Investigation Office in the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

Reassignment of 1 post (P-3 Investigator) to the Inspection and Evaluation Division (P-3 Evaluation Officer)

Reclassification

Department of Management/Office of Central Support Services/Office of the Assistant Secretary-General/Procurement Division

Reclassification of 1 post (GS (OL) Information Technology Assistant to GS (PL) Information Management Assistant)

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigation Division/Regional Investigation Office in Vienna

Reclassification of 1 post (GS (OL) Information Technology Assistant to GS (PL) Senior Information Management Assistant)

Abolishment

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Africa II Division

Abolishment of 1 post (D-2 Director)

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Asia and Middle East Division/Asia Integrated Operational Team

Abolishment of 4 posts (1 P-5 Senior Political Affairs Officer, 1 P-4 Political Affairs Officer, 1 P-3 Political Affairs Officer, 1 GS (OL) Team Assistant)

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Military Affairs/Integrated Operational Team

Abolishment of 1 post (P-4 Military Liaison Officer)

Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions/Police Division/Integrated Operational Team

Abolishment of 1 post (P-4 Police Liaison Officer)

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office in the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

Abolishment of 1 post (P-3 Resident Auditor)

Abbreviations: GS (OL), General Service (Other level).

Annex II

General temporary assistance positions to be established under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

Organizational unit		*Position*		*Function*	*Status*
		Number	*Level*		
Department of Peacekeeping Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front office of the Chief of Staff	1	P-4	Organizational Resilience Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant (organizational resilience)	Continuation
	Executive Office	1	P-4	Human Resources Officer	New
		–	2 months, 3 P-4	Leave replacement	New
		–	2 months, 3 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	2 months, 3 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Office of Operations	Africa II Division	1	P-4	Electoral Affairs Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Office of the Assistant Secretary-General	1	P-4	Rule of Law and Security Institutions Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Police Division	1	P-4	Police Programme Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Service	1	P-4	Judicial Affairs Officer	Continuation
	Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Section	1	P-4	Policy and Planning Officer (disarmament, demobilization and reintegration) (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Subtotal	9			
United Nations Office to the African Union		–	3 months, 1 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	3 months, 1 NGS	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Subtotal	–			
Department of Field Support					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Conduct and Discipline Unit	1	P-4	Disciplinary Officer	New
	Operational Support Team	1	P-4	Planning Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
Field Budget and Finance Division	Reimbursement Policy and Liaison Section	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Memorandum of Understanding and Claims Management Section	1	P-3	Finance Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation

Organizational unit		Position: Number	Position: Level	Function	Status
Field Personnel Division	East and Central Africa Section	1	P-4	Human Resources Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Recruitment, Outreach and Career Development Section	12	P-3	Human Resources Officer (occupational groups)	Continuation
		4	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant (occupational groups)	Continuation
Logistics Support Division	Logistics Operations Section	1	P-5	Senior Logistics Operations Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Strategic Support Service	1	P-4	Planning Officer (engineer) (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Subtotal	**23**			
Department of Management					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Executive Office	–	3 months, 1 P-4	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	3 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Management Evaluation Unit	1	P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	Office of the Controller	1	P-4	Project Manager (International Public Sector Accounting Standards)	New
		1	P-4	International Public Sector Accounting Standards Officer	Continuation
		2	P-3	International Public Sector Accounting Standards Officer	Continuation
	Accounts Division	1	P-4	Finance Officer (MINUSCA)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Finance Assistant (insurance)	Continuation
	Peacekeeping Financing Division	2	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Continuation
Office of Human Resources Management	Human Resources Policy Service	1	P-2	Associate Legal Officer	Continuation
	Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (mobility)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (performance management)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant	Continuation
	Human Resources Information Systems Section (Headquarters)	1	P-4	Project Manager	Continuation
		1	P-4	Project Manager (data warehouse)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Business Analyst (Inspira)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Integrated Management Information System Help Desk Assistant	Continuation

Organizational unit		Position: Number	Position: Level	Function	Status
Office of Human Resources Management	Human Resources Information Systems Section (Bangkok)	1	P-3	Development Officer	Continuation
		1	P-3	Development and Production Support Analyst	Continuation
		1	P-2	Associate Applications Support Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (PL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation
		6	GS (OL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Database Administrator	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
Office of Central Support Services	Procurement Division	1	P-3	Procurement Officer (engineer) (MINUSCA)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Procurement Assistant	Continuation
	Archives and Records Management Section	1	P-2	Associate Information Management Officer	Continuation
Office of Information and Communications Technology	Resource Management Service	1	P-4	Project Manager (rations management system)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (customer relationship management for the troop contribution management project)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (fuel management system)	Continuation
	Subtotal	**35**			
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Executive Office		–	2 months, 2 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	2 months, 3 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Investigations Division	Vienna	1	D-1	Deputy Director	Continuation
		1	P-5	Senior Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		4	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-3	Investigator (MINUSMA)	Continuation
		1	GS (PL)	Investigations Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Investigations Assistant	Continuation
	Nairobi	1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
	Entebbe, Uganda	3	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-3	Investigator (MINUSCA)	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation

Organizational unit		*Position*		*Function*	*Status*
		Number	*Level*		
	UNMIL	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		3	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	UNMISS	2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	UNOCI	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
Internal Audit Division	MINUSMA	3	P-4	Resident Auditor (MINUSMA)	Continuation
		2	P-3	Resident Auditor (MINUSMA)	Continuation
	MINUSCA	3	P-4	Resident Auditor (MINUSCA)	Continuation
		2	P-3	Resident Auditor (MINUSCA)	Continuation
	Subtotal	**43**			
Executive Office of the Secretary-General		–	3 months, 2 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Subtotal	–			
Office of Staff Legal Assistance					
	Nairobi	1	P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
	Subtotal	**1**			
Office of Legal Affairs					
General Legal Division	Administration of Justice Cluster	–	3 months, 1 P-4	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Subtotal	–			
Department of Public Information		–	1.5 months, 1 P-2	Leave replacement	New
		–	1.5 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Subtotal	–			
Secretariat of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions		1	P-5	Senior Administrative Management Officer	New
		1	P-4	Administrative Management Officer	Continuation
	Subtotal	**2**			

Organizational unit		*Position*		*Function*	*Status*
		Number	*Level*		
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights					
Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division	Peace Missions Support Section	1	P-4	Human Rights Officer	New
	Subtotal	**1**			
	Total	**114**		**positions**	
				and 52 person-months (positions of less than 12 months duration)[a]	

Note: The specific assignment and location of each of the general temporary assistance positions is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/69/750 and Corr.1) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/69/860).

Abbreviations: AMISOM, African Union Mission in Somalia; GS (OL), General Service (Other level); GS (PL), General Service (Principal level); MINUSCA, United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic; MINUSMA, United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali; NGS, national General Service; UNMIL, United Nations Mission in Liberia; UNMISS, United Nations Mission in South Sudan; UNOCI, United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire.

[a] Person-months are indicated in the column entitled "Level".